### LOW-INCOME ENERGY POLICY BOARD

"Reducing the number of households with unsustainable energy burdens"













Co-leaders

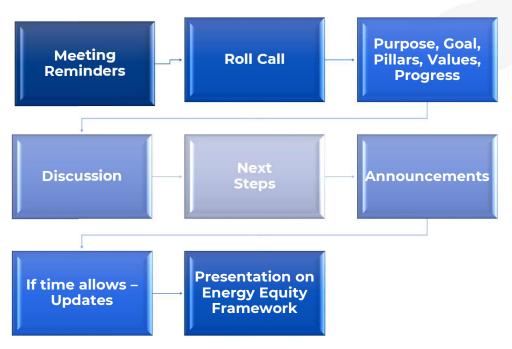
March 27, 2023







# Welcome and Agenda







# **Meeting Reminders**



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BOARD MEMBERS, YOU MAY RAISE YOUR HAND TO SPEAK OR COMMENT IN THE CHAT



PLACE ANNOUNCEMENTS IN THE CHAT







# Roll Call of Members with Lived Experience & Stakeholder Members

- Synia Gant-Jordan Board Member with Lived Experience
- Latasha Hannah Board Member with Lived Experience
- Rick Bunch 5 Lakes Energy;
  Michigan Municipal Association for Utility Issues
- Alexis Blizman Ecology Center
- Briana DuBose- EcoWorksDetroit
- ☐ Hassan Hammoud Michigan 211

- Martin Kushler ACEEE (American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy)
- Patrick Leahy SEMCO Energy Gas Company
- Kasey M. Grieco SuperiorWatershed
- Briana Parker Elevate Energy
- Wende Randall Kent County Essential Needs Task Force





## Roll Call of Policy and Staff Experts

- Cory Connolly Dept. of Environment, Great Lakes, & Energy
- Nicole Denson-Sogbaka Dept. of Health & Human Services
- Rachael A. Eubanks Dept. of Treasury
- ☐ Jeff Guilfoyle Dept. of Treasury
- Kelly Rose Michigan State Housing Development Authority
- Ninah Sasy Dept. of Health & Human Services - Social Determinants of Health Strategy
- Kris Schoenow Dept. of Health & Human Services – Bureau of Community Action and Economic Opportunity
- Derrell Slaughter National Resource Defense Council; Governor's Council on Climate Solutions

- Elaina Braunschweig Analyst, Regulated Energy Division
- Jamie Curtis Grant Administrator, Michigan Energy Assistance Program
- Christina Forist Manager,Compliance & Investigation Section
- Reka Holley Voelker Manager, Communications Section
- Shatina Jones MPSC Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer
- Amy Rittenhouse Communications Coordinator
- ☐ Jake Thelen Departmental Specialist, Compliance & Investigation Section
- Mary Wilkins Departmental Specialist, Customer Assistance Division



# Approval of Minutes – February 27, 2023

### Place in the chat:

- Board member name, vote
  - → Approve
  - → Do Not Approve
  - → Abstain





### Low-Income Energy Policy Board Purpose



#### Purpose

→ To guide the process of assessing energy affordability and accessibility holistically, especially through linking energy waste reduction services and energy assistance programs.

#### Overarching Goal

→ Reduce the number of households with unsustainable energy burdens

#### Policy Pillars

- → Customer Centered Engagement & Coordination
- → Affordability & Customer Protections
- → Low-Income Energy Waste Reduction



### **Board Values**

- We value affordability and inclusion in policy actions that create measurable impact.
- We achieve positive outcomes that impact home energy security, health, housing, and a healthy climate.
- We build solutions through collaboration and diversity of representation, input, experience, and knowledge.
- We act with respect, transparency, and integrity.





# Planning Process Leading to Action

1. Organize	Organize Focus Areas / Targets
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2. Assess	Assess Values and Guiding Principles
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3. Determine	Determine Priorities - July, August, September
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4. Articulate	Articulate Goals - September
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5. Determine	Customer Engagement & Coordination – October
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6. Create	Create Strategies – November 3
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7. Share	Virtual Summit
8. Learn	System-wide Presentations
9. Refine & Implement	Moving Forward in Workgroups and Subcommittees





# Discussion

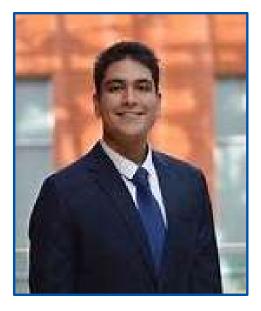




# **Energy Equity Framework Presentation**



**Justin Schott Project Director Energy Equity Project** University of Michigan School for Environment And Sustainability



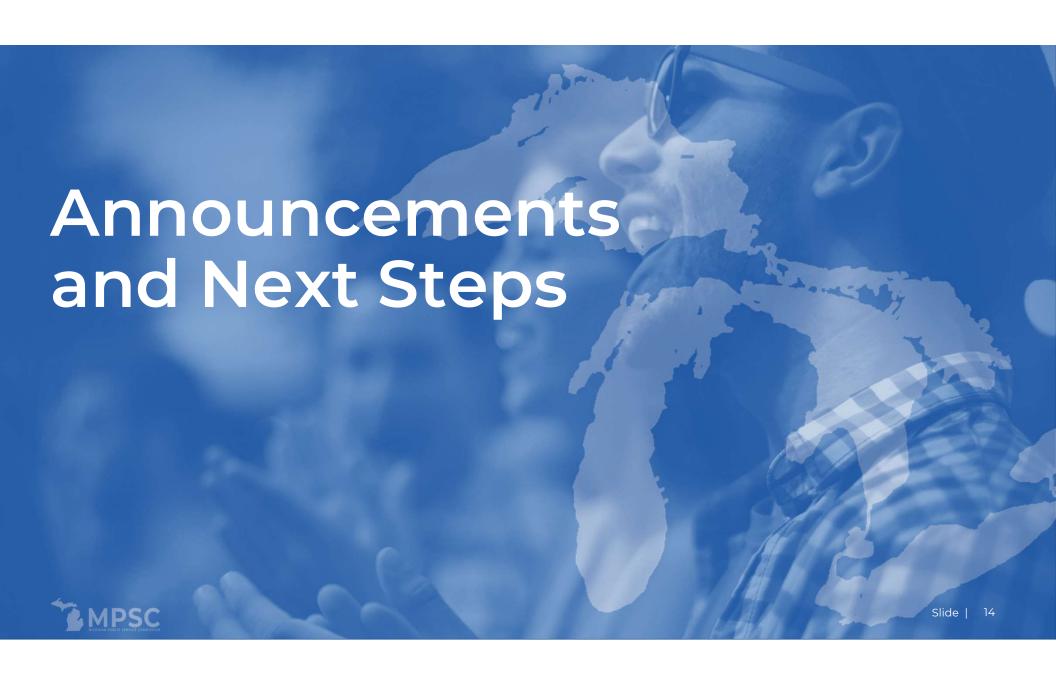
SEAS SCHOOL FOR ENVIRONME **Energy Equity Project Report** 

Rahul Agrawal Bejarano Lead Data Scientist **Energy Equity Project** University of Michigan School for Environment And Sustainability



# Recap of Presentation

- How should we think about energy equity?
  - → Recognition and distributional equity work together
    - What are the benefits and who gets what share of them?
  - → Procedural
    - Identifying marginalized communities and prioritizing benefits should be guided by those on the frontlines
  - → Restorative
    - Most critical to prevent continuing harms and shift the structures and systems that enabled them in the first place
- Examples of putting concepts into practice
  - → Achieving the Justice 40 standard.
  - → Reducing energy burdens to achieve universal affordability
- Energy equity as a mindset and a daily practice



### **Board Announcements**

- Voting Item: Board minutes poll result
- New board meeting invitations coming
- Staff progress report on U-20757 has been filed
- Open LIEP Board session on MI Healthy Climate Plan
  - → April 24 following the regular board meeting
- April Subcommittee Meetings

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→ To be announced. Please go to the link in the chat to reaffirm your interest in participating.

### **Announcements**

- Next EWR Low-Income Workgroup Meeting
  - In-person on April 10th from 1:00 4:00 PM
  - Walker-Miller Energy Services
  - 8045 2nd Avenue, Detroit, MI 48202
- MI Healthy Climate Conference
  - April 11 & 12, 2023
  - Huntington Place
  - One Washington Blvd., Detroit, MI 48226
- Environmental Justice Conference
  - June 21, 2023 from 8:00 5:00
  - University of Detroit Mercy
  - 4001 W. McNichols Rd., Detroit, MI 48221



# **Next Steps**



#### Today

- Energy and the Social Determinants of health
- Ninah Sasy and Jerin Philip

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#### April 24

- · Board Meeting
- 10:00 AM
- MI Healthy Climate Plan

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#### **May 22**

- Board Meeting
- 10:00 AM
- Discussion
- Strategy Review

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#### June 26

- Board Meeting
- 10:00 AM
- Electric Reliability
  Equity Panel
  Discussion



# **Energy and Social Determinants of Health**

Ninah Sasy Policy and Planning Director Michigan Department of Health and Human Services







Jerin Philip

Team Lead: Chronic Disease Policy & Program Evaluation

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

## **Energy and Social Determinants of Health**

### **Energy and SDoH Presentation**

**Microsoft Teams meeting** 

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